



Department of Justice

United States Attorney Timothy M. Morrison
Southern District of Indiana

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Monday, November 16, 2009

<http://www.usdoj.gov/usao/ins/>

CONTACT: MARY BIPPUS

(317) 229-2403

mary.bippus@usdoj.gov

TENNESSEE WOMAN SENTENCED TO TWO AND A HALF YEARS FOR MEDICAID FRAUD

PRESS RELEASE

INDIANAPOLIS - Shana Sain, 40, Hendersonville, Tennessee, was sentenced late Friday to 30 months in prison by U.S. District Judge Larry McKinney following her guilty plea to Healthcare Fraud, announced Timothy M. Morrison, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana and Greg Zoeller, Indiana Attorney General. This case was the result of a twelve month investigation by the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Inspector General, and the Indiana Attorney General, Medicaid Fraud Control Unit.

Sain was the chief executive officer of Community Transit, a business providing transportation services, including medical transportation, in and around the South Bend, Indiana area. Sain plead guilty to submitting false bills to Indiana Medicaid which stated that she provided services substantially in excess to what she actually provided. From June 2006 through December 2008, Sain billed Indiana Medicaid for transportation services purportedly performed for beneficiaries of the Indiana Medicaid Program. Beginning in 2008, law enforcement began to investigate the services provided by Sain, ultimately resulting in the execution of a search warrant at Sain's business location in Hendersonville, Tennessee. The investigation revealed that Sain billed for services that were not rendered, and billed for wheelchair necessary transportation when no wheel chair was needed. The resulting loss was \$235,596.15.

At the sentencing hearing, Judge McKinney noted that fraud against Medicaid resulted in needy individuals not receiving necessary medical services.

"Especially in difficult economic times, taxpayers' money must be protected from fraudulent schemes like this one. Those who would steal from benefits intended for the neediest among us can expect to be found out, prosecuted, and punished," said Allen K. Pope, director of the Indiana Medicaid Fraud Control Unit.

-more-

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney Bradley P. Shepard, who prosecuted the case for the government, Judge McKinney imposed three years supervised release following Sain's release from prison. Sain was ordered to make restitution in the amount of \$235,596.15.

###

20091116.Sain.wpd